

Appl. No. XX/YYY,YYY
Amdt. dated Jan. 15, 2004
Reply to Office action of Oct. 16, 2003

SAMPLE FORMAT FOR REVISED AMENDMENT PRACTICE (Rev. 2/03)

Appl. No. : XX/YYY,YYY
Applicant : James Q. Inventor
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Title : Bucket with Handle

TC/A.U. : 1744
Examiner : John Doe

Docket No. : 12345/JAS/R758

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- In the construction of the bucket of this invention, various materials have been selected ~~and~~ which offer a number of diverse properties and allow for varied functions of the article. For caustic solutions, the bucket can be made of a durable ~~polymer~~ plastic material. Where an aesthetic appeal is desired, the bucket can be any ~~of~~ one of many attractive colors. The following ~~listing~~ of properties serves to define possible uses for the buckets.—

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 20 of page 6:

-- An optional feature of the articles of the invention is the addition of a tetrafluoroethylene coating to the bucket to provide protection from any contents which might be caustic. The coating can be provided to the surface during the manufacturing process or can be added in a later step.--

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (original): A bucket with a black handle.

Claim 6 (original): A bucket of claim 5 wherein the handle is metal.

Claim 7 (withdrawn)

Claim 8 (currently amended): A bucket made of ~~yellow~~ green plastic.

Claim 9 (previously amended): A bucket made of aluminum-coated galvanized metal.

Claim 10 (previously added): A bucket having a circumferential upper lip.

Claim 11 (new): A plastic bucket having a blue handle.

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 2. This sheet, which includes Fig. 1-2, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 1-2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the specification, the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 15, has been amended to correct minor editorial problems. The new paragraph added at page 6 discusses in general terms the features taken from Example 4.

In amended Figure 2, the previously omitted element numeral 13 has been added.

Claims 5-11 remain in this application. Claims 1-4 have been canceled. Claim 7 has been withdrawn.

The examiner has acknowledged that claims 5-6 and 8-10 are directed to allowable subject matter. Claim 7 has been withdrawn as the result of an earlier restriction requirement. Claim 11 adds an additional feature from Example 2 in the specification.

In view of the examiner's earlier restriction requirement, applicant retains the right to present claim 7 in a divisional application
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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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